

## FRENCH AIR NAVY STRIKES GERMANY

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Raid Saarbrück and Sail  
Away in Fog.

### DROP SALVOS OF BOMBS

Sky Armadas Now Fashioned Exactly on Plan of Battleship Fleets.

Paris, Aug. 9.—The skies of the air have again clashed, and a French aeroplane squadron has beaten off a mosquito fleet of German "aviaticas," bombarded the railroad station and factories at Saarbrück, on the border of Rhine province, on German soil, and sailed away through a dense fog, leaving great clouds of smoke and flame rising from the earth below.

The extent to which the sky armadas have been developed by the genius of the French officials and pilots is aptly demonstrated when it becomes known that aero squadrons are now fashioned exactly on the plan of fleets of battleships. The machines are divided into classes, each of which has its separate function to perform.

The speedy, light air craft are designated as the scouts and destroyers of the squadron, swooping around the heavier craft, which, flying in battle formation, are equipped with heavy bombs and light cannon. They carry only machine rifles and light rapid-fire guns and are designed to fight off the attacks of the enemy aircraft, giving the main squadron of air Dreadnoughts opportunity either to veer and sail away or to prepare themselves for battle.

Instead of flying by twos and threes, as in the beginning of the war, these aircraft now strike out on their raids in flotillas of thirty or more, the light aéro darting in front and protecting the flanks of their heavier and slower brethren, which are burdened with heavy bombs slung in baskets underneath, which can be released upon the earth by a shaft arrangement, like the gear of an automobile, close by the pilot's hand.

There is a flagship for each squadron, from which the flight commander issues orders from his captain's and lieutenants' quarters. The other aircraft, even atmospheric conditions have, to a large extent, been overcome, today's raid being carried out in a haze of fog, the French machines flying close to the ground through the fleecy curtain.

Thirty-two heavy machines, accompanied by a number of light craft, set out from a point in northern France today, on the raid against Saarbrück. Owing to the difficulties of the fog, six of the larger type aéro were forced to put back, but the rest laid a good course and in a couple of hours arrived over their destination.

A swarm of German "aviaticas" immediately took to the air to combat the invading fleet, but were immediately engaged by the speedy air cruisers and destroyers of the French fleet, the while the battle aéro circled their objective and loosed salvos of bombs, more than 150 hurtling earthward upon the buildings and factories of the German town.

Their work completed, the word to retire was flashed to each French craft, and, with the smaller craft fought off the Germans, the retreat commenced. The Germans soon gave up the pursuit.

Val clouds of heavy smoke and sheets of flames rising from the ground told where the bombs had hit.

## VISTULA ARMY SAFE, PETROGRAD REPORTS

Impetus of the Great Austro-German Drive Now Believed to Be Weakening.

Petrograd, Aug. 9.—If the views held in higher military quarters here are well founded, any danger which may have existed for the Russian Vistula army is now past. The troops are now taking up the new positions allotted them without precipitation, and at the moment their rear is not threatened. Moreover, there are signs that the impetus of the Austro-German attack is waning, and these signs multiply each day. The failure of the enemy to repeat Friday's attempt to rush Kovno and Osowiec is held to indicate that he does not dispose large forces in the zones of these fortresses.

There is a private news from Vilna of fearful havoc wrought on the Germans near Kovno.

The Russian position in the Baltic province is now described as firm. Southeast of Riga the enemy has been pushed back almost to Mitau. Indeed, he is believed to have drawn on his force here, which consisted of about a corps and a half, to strengthen the impact of his attack east of Ponievitch in the direction of the Dvinsk-Vilna railway. The battle in this latter region still hangs in the balance, but we are assured that the Germans during the last twenty-four hours for which there is news, have made no headway.

The main pressure of the enemy continues to fall on the Narva line and on the front that extends along both sides of the Vepsa. In the latter of these two directions the latest fighting on the whole has been in favor of the Russians.

Capt. Shaw to Wed.

London, Aug. 9.—The engagement is announced of Capt. Cecil Shaw, Ninth Lancers, to Sylvia de Grasse Fox, daughter of the late De Grasse Fox, of Philadelphia.

Reservists Recalled.

Rome, Aug. 9.—Three classes of reservists belonging to the artillery, infantry and Alpini were recalled for active service this evening.

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BRIG. GEN. ERASMUS M. WEAVER, U. S. A.  
Who would direct the action of our big coast defense guns in the event of war. He needs 50,000 men to stand behind the guns he has available for an emergency.



MAJ. GEN. JAMES B. ALESHIRE, U. S. A.  
The "housekeeper" of the army. In war it would be his duty to look after the clothing, feeding, and transportation of troops.



From left to right—Rear Admirals Cowles, Howell, and Fletcher. Commanding, respectively, the Atlantic, Pacific, and Asiatic fleets. These are the men in whose hands the defense of the coast of this country lies. They are the levers through which Admiral Benson, chief of operations, would direct the naval fighting.



MAJ. GEN. LEONARD WOOD, U. S. A.  
Commander of the Eastern Department of the army. Should the United States go to war, it would be his duty not only to guide the movements of the 6,000 men east of the Mississippi, but also to supervise the training of volunteers.



BRIG. GEN. ALBERT L. MILLS, U. S. A.  
Whose duty it would be in the event of war to supervise the calling out of the State militias. He probably would have more trouble during the first weeks of the war than any other army chief in determining what the States must do and what Uncle Sam must do.

## Dutch Buy Munitions In U. S., Believed Preparing to Fight

Big Shipments Made to Holland by Firm Which Also Is Supplying Allies, but It Is Not Known on Which Side Country Will Fight.

New York, Aug. 9.—While cable dispatches from London state that Holland is anxiously awaiting the outcome of the Austro-Hungarian protest to the United States against the exportation of munitions to neutral nations before placing large orders in this country, information came to the Evening Sun today that the government of the Netherlands has been receiving a steady stream of munitions for months past from an American munition factory that is supplying the allies.

The reports from London are to the effect that Holland, sorely put to it to defend her neutrality against possible attack by any of the belligerent nations, has called every available man to the colors. This done, the land of windmills and canals, found that her army would be of no use in a crisis as supplies of war munitions were woefully short and the factories for producing them utterly inadequate.

Holland turned to the other European nations, the London story has it, for assistance, but found that most of them were in the American plight. Then she turned to the United States only to run amuck against the Austro-Hungarian protest. London has it, Holland can do nothing.

Big Contract Placed Here.

But, on the other hand, The Evening Sun is in possession of reliable information to the effect that the government of the Netherlands several months ago placed huge contracts for steel jackets, brass and copper plate, with the National Brass and Copper Company, a subsidiary of the first, through the banking firm of Kuhn, Loeb & Co.

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## FORD STATUE JOINS FAMOUS GATHERING

Mold of Automobile Magnate Occupies Center of Distinguished Company.

New York, Aug. 9.—In a large, lofty studio, high in the building at 630 Fifth avenue, is the almost completed bust of Henry Ford. It is placed just between the finished models of Enrico Caruso, opera star, and John Brough, the naturalist, with whom Mr. Ford spent last night at his home in the Katskills. The plaster mold of Mr. Ford is the center of a large gathering of this country's celebrities. Near it is a bronze representation of former President Taft, one of Senator Elihu Root, another of John Muir, the geologist; two of J. P. Morgan, and a second Caruso bust. Close by, in an adjoining room, are Gen. and Miss Booth, the Salvation Army leaders; Mrs. Findley J. Shepard, and a replica of a piece of statuary now on exhibition at the San Francisco Exposition.

All these are the work of Scarpino Carino Pietro, who for the last three weeks has been waiting daily for Mr. Ford to appear at his studio for his final sitting. Sunday the Detroit manager spent New York, but he would not spare the sculptor's moment. Today also he was too busy to visit the studio, for he arose early, paid a visit to his friends, Thomas A. Edison, J. P. Morgan, and then proceeded to the Burroughs home.

At the Biltmore no one could tell where Mr. Ford was. Mr. Ford spent only a few minutes at the Edison plant in West Orange, arriving there with his party in two automobiles yesterday afternoon. When William H. Mendham, Edison's personal representative, was asked if the call had anything to do with the proposed work of the Naval Advisory Board, he replied: "No, Mr. Ford just dropped in to pay his respects to Mr. Edison. His visit lasted only a few minutes."

## LATIN AMERICA WILL AID U. S. IN MEXICO

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Eliseo Arrandondo, the Carranza agent in this city.

## CARRANZA TO TAKE BULL BY THE HORNS

Galveston, Tex., Aug. 9.—All doubt as to Carranza's position regarding various Mexican problems have been removed by cablegrams received here today. He proposes to become president of Mexico in some way, and has already taken the "bull by the horns." Since last Friday, according to the official dispatches, the Carranza and government clerks have been moving to Mexico City. Carranza himself will go within a few days. Once there, he will proclaim himself provisional president of the republic and establish a government after his own ideas.

In support of his action he will appeal to the people of the United States for support through a manifesto which is about ready for the press of this country.

In this appeal he will give in detail the history of the revolution and will publish all correspondence with the State Department under Bryan and Lansing. Further, he will show what he calls unfair treatment of the revolution spirit by certain Americans and other foreign councils.

These dispatches say there will be no conference between Carranza and Villa or Carranza and Zapata. These, Carranza insists, must leave Mexico.

## SCOTT'S REAL MISSION IS PUZZLING EL PASO

El Paso, Tex., Aug. 9.—Gen. Hugh L. Scott had little to say to Gen. Francisco Villa today, and that little he said in a mighty short time. They talked in just seventeen minutes. Both refused to say anything tonight, but make any statement which will throw the least light on Scott's mission to the border.

Gen. Scott, when he alighted from the train at 2:45 o'clock this afternoon, was handed a telegram which instructed him to take up with Villa the question of forced loans and confiscation of foreign mining and mercantile interests on the Villa territory. It is considered certain here that Scott told Villa exactly what is expected of him in the present crisis. El Pasoans are now puzzled over Scott's real mission to the border, and what Washington expects Villa to do and what Villa's reply to these demands will be. General opinion here is that Villa has been directed to cease operations within a certain number of days or take the consequences.

It is believed, with the blocking of all border ports and if necessary the occupation of Mexican ports on the line.

By this latter move Villa would be deprived of the gold that may come to him as taxes from imports and exports, thus cutting off his food and ammunition supplies. It is believed that this tactical action is planned by Washington in the handling of Carranza. Gen. Felipe Angeles, Villa's secretary of war, although the prime mover in peace proceedings, was not at the conference between Gen. Scott and Villa.

George C. Carothers, Washington's representative with Villa, was present, however, and acted as interpreter. The meeting between Gen. Scott and Villa was held in a little house which Villa has been using as his headquarters. Gen. Scott was not in uniform when he arrived here today, and no military honors were bestowed on him.

Colored-Barnes, Nichols avenue, Hillsdale; Langston, P. street between Capitol and First streets northwest; Magruder, M. street between Sixteenth and Seventeenth streets northwest; Olding, G. street between Third and Fourth streets southeast; and Phillips, Twenty-eighth and N. streets northwest.

Taft a Grandfather.

Bar Harbor, Me., Aug. 9.—President Taft is a grandfather. A son has been born to Mrs. Robert Taft, who is at the cottage of her mother, Mrs. Lloyd Bowers. He is the first grandchild in the Taft family. Robert Taft, son of the former President, has been born in his mother's home.

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MARYLAND DEMOCRATS TO NAME CANDIDATES

Chairman Vandiver Announces State Convention Will Be Held in Baltimore September 23.

Baltimore, Md., Aug. 9.—Democratic State Chairman Vandiver announced today that the State convention of his party would be held in Baltimore on September 23.

When the State central committee met recently in Baltimore it approved September 23 as the date of the primary and authorized Mr. Vandiver to fix the day for the convention and make the necessary plans.

At this State convention will assemble the delegates chosen in the primary election, and they will cast their votes by counties and by city districts as instructed by the voters in the primary contest.

The candidates receiving a majority of the votes of the 123 delegates will be declared the Democratic nominees for the offices of governor of Maryland, State comptroller and attorney general. In the field are two opposing tickets—the Lee-Maloy-Copper and the Harrington-Ritchie-Mullan.

The convention will also adopt a platform on which the fight is to be waged.

## OWNER OF TRAINED BEAR HELD FOR GIRL'S INJURY

Animal Tore Scalp of Child When It Broke Away from Gypsy Band.

Philadelphia, Aug. 9.—Joseph George, leader of a gypsy band, encamped at Seventeenth street and Havercourt avenue, and owner of a "trained" bear, which attacked and seriously injured a little girl yesterday afternoon, was arraigned before Magistrate Boyle, at the Sixty-first and Thompson streets station today and held in \$500 bail for a further hearing today a week.

The victim of the bear's attack, Ruth Haines, 7 years old, of North Sixth street, as in the West Philadelphia Homeopathic Hospital with a badly torn scalp, and a skin-grafting operation may be necessary to save her from being disfigured for life. George was preparing to give a performance with two bears, when one of them broke loose from its chain and tore Ruth's scalp with its paw before the gypsies could subdue it.

## PRINCESS MARY HELD AS SPY

Kin's Daughter, on Way to See Prince, Forged Passports.

London, Aug. 9.—Even royal princesses should not wander from home in war times without their passports. Princess Mary, of England, has been arrested and held as a German spy while on a visit to her brother, the Prince of Wales, at British headquarters somewhere in France, all because she had forgotten her papers.

As Lady Chester, accompanied by Miss Dussau, the princess set out to meet her brother, but when about six miles from the village where Gen. French's staff is quartered her automobile was halted by a French patrol. The officer in charge was sympathetic but sceptical; he had his duty to perform. The car was put under a guard and it was stated that its occupants might be shot if their story was disproved. For four hours the two prisoners waited in suspense.

There was suspense also at British headquarters. The Prince of Wales and the British line was on the alert at length a message came from the French lines, announcing the claims of two impostors held prisoners by a corporal's guard. The identity of the missing princess was quickly established and the daughter of England's royal house was soon freed of the charge of being a German spy.

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Italians Slay 2,000 Austrians.

Geneva, Aug. 9.—Labach messenger says 30,000 Italian troops, with powerful artillery, conducted a five-hour attack upon the Gorizia defenses today. Numerous Austrian batteries were silenced by the Italian cannon. After a final bayonet attack, the Austrian troops retired toward the town, leaving 2,000 dead and 100 prisoners.

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